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RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE OFFICE ACTION

M/S: Box Amendment (NON-FEE)

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Ex parte Quayle Action mailed January 23, 2004 (Paper No. 6), having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire April 23, 2004, the above-identified patent application is amended as follows: